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House Resolution 1169 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Bearden of the 68<sup>th</sup>, Brooks of the 63<sup>rd</sup>, Hembree of the 67<sup>th</sup>, and Bruce of the 64<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Dedicating the "Colonel R. H. Burson Bridge"; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, R. H. Burson graduated from Bowden High School in 1927; and
- 3 WHEREAS, he joined the Georgia Department of Public Safety in 1939 as a trooper,
- 4 graduating in the third Georgia State Patrol Trooper School; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he rose through the ranks of the State Patrol to become its commanding officer
- 6 in 1959; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was appointed deputy director of the Department of Public Safety in 1961
- 8 where he served until 1963 when Governor Carl Sanders appointed him Director of the
- 9 Department of Corrections; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he served as Director of the Department of Corrections until 1967 when he was
- 11 appointed Director of the Department of Public Safety, a position which he held until his
- 12 retirement in 1971; and
- 13 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the service of this extraordinary individual be
- 14 recognized.
- 15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 16 GEORGIA that the bridge on U. S. Highway 78 at Mirror Lake in Douglas County be
- 17 dedicated as the "Colonel R. H. Burson Bridge."
- 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
- 19 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the "Colonel R. H. Burson
- 20 Bridge."

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

- 2 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Colonel R. H.
- 3 Burson and to the Department of Transportation.